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Arkansas State comes to town for big tilt

Football
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After a bye week, the Georgia Southern football squad returns home to take on Arkansas State in both team's Sun Belt Conference opener. The Eagles will take on perennial SBC power A-State at 6 p.m. on Saturday at Allen E. Paulson Stadium. The game will be broadcast online through ESPN+ and will be available via radio on the Georgia Southern Sports Network. Here's all you need to know about the game:

**Game 4: Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018 • 6:05 PM**
**Location: Statesboro, Ga. (Allen E. Paulson Stadium; 25,000)**

**Records:**
Georgia Southern: 2-1, 0-0 Sun Belt
Arkansas State: 2-1, 0-0 Sun Belt

**Broadcast Information**
Broadcast: ESPN+
PBP: Greg Talbott; Analyst: Danny Waugh

**Radio:** Georgia Southern Sports Network
PBP: Danny Reed; Analyst: Terry Harvin; Sidelines: Russ Brown

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**Overall:** Fourth Meeting (A-State leads, 2-1) • 0-1 Home; 0-1 Away; 1-0 Neutral

**Current Streak:** A-State, Won 2

**Last Meeting:** Oct. 4, 2017 (L, 25-43) - Allen E. Paulson Stadium | Statesboro, Ga.

**Facts Maybe Only We Find Interesting:** The Eagles defeated the Red Wolves in 1986 in the first ever meeting between the two teams, the 1986 DI-AA Championship Game … In that game, quarterback **Tracy Ham** rushed for 180 yards and three touchdowns and completed 12-of-21 passes for 306 yards and another score … Ham is now the senior associate athletic director for external operations at GS … The early October meeting between the Eagles and Red Wolves last season was the first home game in Paulson Stadium during the 2017 season due to an earlier home game being relocated by Hurricane Irma … Arkansas State has six players on its roster from the state of Georgia, but Georgia Southern has no players on its roster from the state of Arkansas … GS linebacker **Tomarcio Reese** and A-State offensive lineman Chase Johnson played together at Northwest Mississippi CC … Offensive linemen **Curtis Rainey** and **Jeremiah Culbreth**, along with defensive end **Logan Hunt**, could all make their third career start against the Red Wolves Saturday … Nine true freshmen have seen playing time this season.
Military Appreciation Day
Saturday's game will mark the annual Military Appreciation Game for the Eagles as all branches of the military will be honored. The Eagles will wear a special sticker on the back of their helmets and several special presentations and recognitions are planned. Additionally, the prestigious Army Tenors will sing the National Anthem with the Southern Pride Marching Band performing with them.

Below are the names of who is coming: (if you click on the hyperlink it will take you to their bios)

MSG Pablo Talamante, Sonora, MEXICO, University of Louisville Kentucky, Catholic University of America
SFC Jason M. Gottshall, Camp Hill, PA, University of Delaware, Indiana University Bloomington
SFC Matthew P. Heil, Pine Mountain Valley, GA, Georgia Southern University, Peabody Conservatory
SSG Benjamin G. Pattison, Tallahassee, FL, DePaul University, University of Maryland
SSG Matthew Richardson, Dubuque, IA, Eastman School of Music
SSG Christian D. Hoff, Towson, MD, University of Maryland
Pianist:
SSG Dan Campolieta, Simsbury, CT, University of Connecticut

Fans who can not attend the game, but want to donate tickets may go to GSEagles.com/PromoCode and then enter the promo code MILITARY.

Additionally, fans can support the GS ROTC program by purchasing the Military Appreciation T-shirt at the University Store on the Statesboro Campus or GSUstore.com. $5.00 from every purchase goes back to support Georgia Southern's cadets in the Army ROTC Eagle Battalion.

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